



Ingrid Haavisto Taylor

October 19, 1915 - January 5, 2011

Ingrid Haavisto Taylor, of Royal Oak, MI, died January 5, 2011 at Odyssey Hospice in Southfield, MI. The former Ingrid H. Haavisto was born October 19, 1915 in Ironwood, MI, daughter of the late Heikki "Henry" and Hilja SuoSaari Haavisto, attended Ironwood schools, and graduated from Luther L. Wright High School in 1932. After graduation she went to Duluth, MN to work for A.D. Chisholm, a mining executive, and his family. From there she and her two sisters went to Detroit and were employed as waitresses. Ingrid met her future husband in Detroit. She also worked at Kresges for many years, J.L. Hudsons and transferred to the Northland Center store, the first mall in Michigan. She and her husband had their own business with Amway, and Ingrid continued until she was 90. Ingrid was an active member of the Salvation Army in Royal Oak, and a past member of the Royal Oak Wapiti Elks Auxiliary. When they weren't spending time at their cottage by Gladwin, they spent many summers in Ironwood with her mother and daughter visiting relatives. They also did a lot of camping in the Upper Peninsula. Lake Gogebic was a favorite spot for them. Ingrid was very proud of her Finnish heritage. She wrote and spoke the language fluently. She was a first generation American, and was the last of her generation in the American branch of the family. She was married to Charles H. Taylor on December 29, 1937. Charles preceded her in death in October of 1993. They celebrated their 50th Anniversary in 1987. Surviving are a daughter, Miriam Clayton Rund of Bessemer, MI; two sons, Richard Laura Taylor of Clinton Township, MI and Bruce Taylor of Royal Oak; six

grandchildren, Denise Terry Piotrowski of Roseville, MI, Deanna Dwayne Princler of Rochester Hills, MI, Jon Rund and James Rund of Wakefield, MI, Michelle Chad McPearson of Clinton Township and Andrew Gail Taylor of Roseville; eight great-grandchildren; numerous nieces and nephews; and many cousins in Finland. Besides her parents and husband, Ingrid was predeceased by two brothers, Heikki "Henry" and Richard Haavisto of Ironwood; and three sisters, Aileen Haavisto and Helia Longhini of Ironwood, and Elsie Hnizda of Huntington Woods, MI; sister-in-law, Estelle Haavisto of Ironwood; brothers-in-law, William Longhini of Ironwood and Dr. Vincent Hnizda of Huntington Woods; and a special cousin, Eugene Haavisto. A memorial service will be held Wednesday 6 p.m. at the Salvation Army Royal Oak Citadel Corps, 3015 N. Main Street, Royal Oak, MI 48073. The inurnment will take place at Hillcrest Cemetery in Bessemer. The family requests no flowers. Arrangements by Wm. Sullivan & Son Funeral Home, Royal Oak, 248-541-7000, www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com.